

**Los Angeles County Domestic Violence Council**  
**General Meeting**  
**Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration**  
**Room 739**  
**Minutes of June 16, 2015 Meeting**

1. **Call to Order by** – *Michele L. Daniels*  
The meeting was called to order at 12:17 p.m.
2. **Minutes Approval for May 19, 2015**  
Minutes of May 19, 2015 were approved with corrections
3. **Announcements**
  - Rick Kenworthy ABIP; training will be held at Home Boy Industries starting on September 19, 2015 for five Saturdays
  - ABIP will have a discussion on the Biological Aspects of Being Transgender at the June 19, 2015 meeting held at Denny's
  - IVAT- yearly training will take place in August 2015
4. **Project Highlights:** None
5. **Speakers:** Panel Presentation "Intersection of Domestic Violence and Unaccompanied Minors"
  - Joanna Esquivel, MSW, presented on the "The Impact of Domestic Violence on Latino Families in the Los Angeles County"
  - Cynthia Lucas, Esq., Lucas & Barba presented on the "Laws pertaining to U.S. Immigration"
  - Elin De-hacopian, Psy., CCDT - IMCES presented on the "Stigma: Effects of Trauma, Immigration, and Unaccompanied Minors"
6. **Executive Board Report** – Michele L. Daniels
  - The DVC Executive Board met on June 11, 2015
  - TuLynn Smylie provided information that has been collected regarding the loss of five bed spaces and the increase in request for services
  - Grand Park- possibility of a Resource Fair is in process
  - Parents in Partnership Program
  - Betty Fisher- application nominations are due June 26, 2016
7. **Committee and Task Force Reports as needed** –  
Written reports submitted by Committee Co-Chairs  
  
**Legislative Issues** – *Michael Gargiulo, Co-Chair*  
Written report submitted
  - The Legislative Committee met for June 4, 2015
  - Next meeting July 2, 2015

**Committee on System's Improvement** – *Gail Pincus, Co-Chair*

No written report submitted

- The CSI committee meeting for June 11, 2015 was cancelled
- Next meeting July 9, 2015

**LGBT Issues** – *Mieko Failey, Co-Chair*

Written report submitted

- The LGBT Committee met on May 12, 2015
- A training "Working with Transgender Survivors and Cultural Competence" will be held July 14, 2015 from 10:15 a.m. to 11:35 a.m. at the Los Angeles LGBT Center
- Next meeting July 14, 2015

**Religion & DV Issues** – *Bernita Walker, Co-Chair*

Written report submitted

- The Committee met on May 26, 2015
- Next meeting June 23, 2015

**Immigration Committee** – *Monica Kane, Co-Chair*

No written report submitted

- The committee met this morning, June 16, 2015
- The Safety Plan Pamphlet will be translated into Armenian, by the Institute of Multicultural Counseling and Education (IMCES) and Korean language translation is being considered by the Center for Pacific Asian Family
- Discussed speaker for today's General Meeting
- Next meeting July 21, 2015
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**Male Victims/Survivors Task Force** – *Co-Chair, Stanley Green*

No written report submitted for May 19, 2015 meeting

- Nomination of a Task Force Co-Chair will be considered at the June 16, 2015 meeting
- Next meeting July 21, 2015 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm
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**Shelter Director's Committee** – *Co-Chair – TuLynn Smylie*

No written report submitted

- The Shelter Directors met April 21, 2015
- Next meeting July 21, 2015

8. **Public Comments: Not to exceed two minute per person - NONE**

9. **Matters not on the Posted Agenda to be presented and placed on a future Agenda - NONE**

10. **Adjournment - Meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m.**

Submitted by:

Olivia G. Rodriguez

Executive Director

Los Angeles County Domestic Violence Council

7/21/2015

Date Approved

GM Minutes for June 16, 2015

## **MEMBERS PRESENT June 16, 2015**

### **Public Members**

LA City Mayor's Office  
LA County Public Social Service  
LA County District Attorney's Office  
LA County Probation Department  
LA County Public Health

Carol Perez  
Lola Nevarez  
M. Daniels, M. Gargiulo, L. Heher  
Jim Schoengarth, K. Kucharlle  
Adarsh Almalvez

### **Private Members**

1736 Family Crisis Center  
Center for the Pacific Asian Family (CALWORKS)  
Haven House  
Jewish Family Service  
Rainbow Services (CALWORKS)  
Women Shelter of Long Beach  
YWCA Glendale  
Sojourn  
Project Peacemakers

Lirio Vasquez  
TuLynn Smylie  
Gabriela Vaquera  
Michelle Marsh  
Judy Gordon  
Giovanna Martinez  
Ani Seuylemenin  
Pat Butler, M. Vanegas, C. Smith  
Bernita Walker, B. Gooden

### **CalWorks**

Domestic Abuse Center  
Foothill Family Service  
Institute of Multicultural Ed. & Couns.

LA Center for Law & Justice  
Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles  
PROTOTYPES  
Bienvenidos  
Neighborhood Legal Services of LA County  
East Los Angeles Women's Center  
Community Legal Services  
Human Services Association

Gail Pincus  
Mariela Rivera  
E.Der. Hacopian, A.Z., J.  
Esquivel  
Lazaro Cuevas  
Mercedes Alanis  
Amanda Jancu, P. Gaskin  
Mary Cabrera  
Stephanie Rector  
Debbie Suaste  
Teresa Adiedu  
Silvana Ortega

### **Guests Present**

ABIP  
Asian Americans Advancing Justice  
Asian Pacific Women Center  
Parents in Partnership (DCFS)  
Law Offices of Monica Kane  
Valley Women's Center  
Harriett Buhai for Family Law  
Los Angeles Gay & Lesbian Center

Rick Kenworthy  
Faith Santoso  
Skye Gonzalez,  
Viviana Ayala-Vega  
Monica Kane  
Jennifer Ortiz  
Karina Estrella  
Mieko Failey, M. Sacks, S. Barry

Niswa Association, Inc.  
MHW  
Peace Over Violence  
National Coalition for Men  
Joe Torre Safe at Home  
SAFE  
Lucas & Barba  
SAHARA  
Cambodia USA  
Children's Institute  
Joyful Heart Foundation  
LASHA  
One Justice

Amila O.  
Stanley Green  
Mei Ma  
Fred Sottile  
Sally Lokey  
David Pissarra  
Cynthia Lucas  
Dora Jacildo  
D. Chen Sokman, S. Neth  
Debbie Ramirez  
Blanca Quintana  
Sylvia Williams  
Kelsey Williams

### **ABSENT MEMBERS**

#### **Public Members**

Department of Children & Family Serv.  
L.A. County Commission for Women  
West Covina Police Department  
California Department of Corrections  
Department of Health Services  
Superior Court Family Court Svs.  
LA City Attorney's Office  
LA County's Sheriff's Department

LA County Public Defender's  
LA City Commission on the  
Status of Wm  
Department of Mental Health  
LA City Police Department  
Attorney General's Office

#### **Private Voting Members**

Interval House (*CALWORK*)  
Santa Clarita Domestic Violence Center  
Haven Hills  
Women & Children's Crisis Shelter  
Antelope Valley DVC/.Valley Oasis  
Su Casa-Ending Domestic Violence

Angel Step Inn  
Jenesse Center (*CALWORK*)  
House of Ruth (*CALWORKS*)  
YWCA WINGS

#### **CalWorks**

NCADD Long Beach Woman To Woman  
Amanecer  
Office of Samoan Affairs

Helpline Youth Counseling  
San Fernando Valley CMHC